Workshop Agenda 01-0808

Investigation – Response to IITA Petition

10:30 am-2 pm, June 5, 2002

Illinois Commerce Commission – Springfield Hearing Room B

Call-in #: 1-800-659-9357 (pass code 5997491#)

- I. Introductions/sign-in sheet
- II. Discuss case scope and organization
 - A. Alternative scope proposals
 - "broader" scope proposal (e.g., Staff Proposed Issues List)
 - "narrower" scope proposal (e.g., IITA Petition)
 - B. Areas of agreement/disagreement
 - C. Proposals for case organization and schedule
- **III. Potential Issues List (Broad Scope alternative)**
 - A. Additions
 - **B.** Deletions
- IV. Review Issue Items
 - A. Mirroring options
 - **B.** Estimating Revenue impact
 - C. Identifying options to address revenue impact

Issues List for 6/5 workshop

Source: Amended Staff Report - MAG Plan

(as filed 4/2/02)

1. Whether "MAG" reductions should be "mirrored" on an intrastate basis or whether access charges should be cost based

- Whether or not to continue the Commission's "mirroring" policy
- Whether to mirror all the way, half way, or not at all, mirror everything excluding local switching or adopt the IITA petition proposal
- Whether the 46th order should be superseded by the MAG order with respect to local switching
- Whether access charges should be cost based
- When any change in access charges should be implemented

2. Estimate the Revenue Impact on Small Companies of Mirroring or Cost Based Rates

- Estimate the revenue impact on small companies of different mirroring/cost based options/local switching options
- Determine the possible implications for local rates and the possible implications for long distance rates

3. Identify and Analyze Options the Commission Can Take to Address any Revenue Shortfall that Small Companies May Face if Mirroring or Cost Based Rates are Adopted

- Increasing USF funding to handle any shortfall
- Implementing a state subscriber line charge similar to the federal subscriber line charge
- Initiating mini-rate cases to give small companies the opportunity to recoup any revenues lost; determine the scope of cases and identify the proceeding in which the cases should be conducted e.g. USF proceeding, Docket No. 00-0233
- Taking no action, thereby encouraging small companies to deal with any revenue shortfall caused by mirroring through reduced costs, introduction of new services etc.
- Deciding whether or not to adopt a specific policy of revenue neutrality

4. Make Recommendations on the following:

- Mirroring/Cost Based Rates/Local Switching
- Revenue Neutrality
- Way(s) to address possible revenue shortfall